

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A process for simulating printing media comprising:

providing a database comprising a spot color name associated with corresponding image data that simulates printing media;

receiving a print job comprising page description language ("PDL") code that includes a reference to the spot color name;

identifying the spot color name in the PDL code;

retrieving from the database the corresponding image data associated with the identified spot color name;

adding PDL code of the print job for painting the retrieved image data as a PostScript pattern in the print job, said PostScript pattern comprising a repeating unit;

executing the PDL code in the print job; and

painting the retrieved image data as a PostScript pattern in the print job.

2. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 1, wherein the image data are definable by a user.

3. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 1, further comprising providing a user interface that allows a user to create, modify and/or delete the image data and the spot color name in the database.

4-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The process of Claim 1, further comprising adding additional PDL code to the print job to perform other tasks that include mirroring or four-way mirroring to prevent stitches from appearing in printed output.

8-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for simulating printing media comprising:

- a database that comprises a spot color name associated with corresponding image data that simulates printing media;

- a module for receiving a print job comprising page description language ("PDL") code that includes a reference to the spot color name in the PDL code;

- a module for retrieving from the database the corresponding image data associated with the identified spot color name;

- a module for adding PDL code to the print job for painting the retrieved image data as a PostScript® pattern in the print job, said PostScript pattern comprising a repeating unit;

- a module for executing the PDL code in the print job; and

- a module for painting the retrieved image data as a PostScript pattern in the print job.

18. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of Claim 17, wherein the image data are definable by a user.

19. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of Claim 17, further comprising a module for providing a user interface that allows users to create, modify and/or delete the image data and the spot color name in the database.

20-22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of Claim 17, further comprising a module for adding additional PDL code to the print job to perform other tasks that include mirroring or four-way mirroring to prevent stitches from appearing in printed output.

24. (Currently Amended) A program storage medium readable by a computer, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the computer to perform a method for simulating media, the steps comprising:

providing a raster image processor ("RIP") that includes a database comprising a spot color name associated with corresponding image data that simulates printing media;

receiving a print job at the RIP, the print job comprising page description language ("PDL") code that includes a reference to the spot color name; and

processing the print job on the RIP by:

(a) identifying the spot color name in the PDL code;

(b) retrieving from the database the corresponding image data associated with the identified spot color name;

(c) adding PDL code to the print job for painting the retrieved image data as a PostScript pattern in the print job, said PostScript pattern comprising a repeating unit;

(d) executing the PDL code in the print job; and

(e) painting the retrieved image data as a PostScript pattern in the print job.

25. (Currently Amended) The program storage medium of Claim 24, wherein the image data are definable by a user.

26. (Previously Presented) The program storage medium of Claim 24, wherein the method further comprises providing a user interface that allows a user to create, modify and/or delete the image data and the spot color name in the database.

27-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Previously Presented) The program storage medium of Claim 24, wherein the method further comprises adding additional PDL code to the print job to perform other tasks that include mirroring or four-way mirroring to prevent stitches from appearing in printed output.

31-60. (Cancelled)